[Mr. Speaker] [12th February 1959

I hereby tender my unconditional apology for the same and I pray that my apology may be accepted by your goodself and the hon. Members of the Assembly.

Yours faithfully,
(Signed) C. E. S. Perumal."

In view of this letter, even that one missing link has been supplied and I think I can happily say that the matter is now closed.

(2) 'DINA THANTHI' CASE NO. 2.

SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM: Sir, the report of the Committee of Privileges regarding the 'Dina Thanthi' case No. 2 was placed on the table of the House on 5th February 1959. May I know when we shall take it up for consideration?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: This will be arranged in consultation with the Business Advisory Committee.

V.—MOTION *RE* CHANGE IN THE ORDER OF BUSINESS.

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: Sir, I move—

That rule 23 of the Madras Assembly Rules be suspended and the House do resolve to transact Government business on Thursday, the 12th February 1959, and that Monday, the 16th February 1959 may be allotted for the transaction of the non-official business.

This is in accordance with the Business Advisory Committee's recommendations.

The motion was put and carried.

VI.—STATEMENT BY THE HON. MINISTER FOR INDUSTRIES.

* THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN: Sir, in reply to a supplementary by Sri A. Mariappan, M.L.A., on starred questions Nos. 119, 120 and 125-B, I stated on 11th September 1958 that the Mettur Chemical and Industrial Corporation, Ltd., has obtained a licence to set up a factory for the manufacture of 50 tons of paper. It has subsequently been found that even though the Corporation had applied for the grant of a licence and even though it had been duly recommended by this Government, the Union Government requested the Corporation in November, 1957, to renew its application after a year as the project involved heavy foreign exchange commitment. A licence has not so far been granted to the Corporation to set up a paper factory. On the advice of the Union Government, the Corporation is however negotiating with an American firm to get American aid for the object and the negotiations have not yet been finalised.